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April 11th, 2021

Divine Mercy Sunday



MASS INTENTIONS April 12th-April 18th

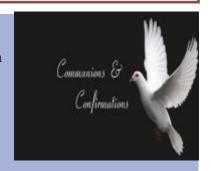
Mon	9am	Living and Deceased Members of the Schaefer
		Family
Tues	7pm	Relatives of Tony and Laurie Jennewein
Wed	9am	Jake and Katie Benedick
Thur	s 9am	Jamie Bustamante and Family
Fri	9am	Leo Davis Family-Living and Deceased
Sat	9am	Michael Martinez
4:30pm		Intentions of the Stephen Wilson Family
Sun	8am	Dorothy Koch
	10am	Parishioners of St. Barnabas

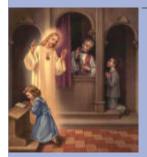


Reverend Raymond D. Hager St. Barnabas Parishioners And Parish Staff

Congratulations to those who entered the Catholic Church on Holy Saturday:

Joshua Talluto Tiffany Willenbrock Chase Volkmer Claire Foster Andrew Foster





Congratulations to the following children who will receive the Sacrament of Penance for the first time:

April 13th Olivia Ehrhard

April 20th Ciaran Harkins Finnian Harkins

Congratulations to our children receiving their First Holy Communion

April 25thCiaran Harkins
Finnian Harkins
Cecilia Brunner

April 27th Olivia Ehrhard



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PastorReverend Raymond D. Hager

Music Director -Ryan P. Murphy Parish Secretary-Patti Kehoe DRE-Brooke Stephens

Parish Office Hours

Monday and Thursday 10am-3:30pm Secretary can be reached anytime by calling the office number and pressing 9

Sunday Liturgy Holy Masses through April

4:30pm Saturday Evening 8:00am –Sunday Morning 10:00am TLM-Traditional Latin Mass

Daily Holy Mass 9:00am

Monday-Wednesday-Thursday-Friday –
Saturday
Rosary Prayed Following Mass

Tuesday Evening Mass @7:00pm Rosary Before Mass-Perpetual Help Devotions following Mass

Sacrament of Penance 1/2 hour before all Masses and by appointment

Miserere nobis



PRAYER

Marie Bieker Betty Blechle Lou Bognar Laura Cherniawski Matthew Cooke Elaine Cornett Pricilla Dehler Vince DiFatta Angelina DuVall Ruth Dyer Marion Elsenrath Tim Hagan Rose Marie Hager Rachel Harris Nancy Hebert Betty Heppermann Jerry Korte Rose Korte Nancy Latham Dot Leah Jim Leah Bill Meder Jeanette Minzer Mary Munzer Bob Proost Cyril Salvo Carol Sanchez Lucy Sammelman Lorie Scheresky Joan Short Corban Skrivan Janet Whitelaw Helen Willkie Sandy Winkler

Through April

Holy Name Society

Regular monthly meetings on the First Thursday of each month beginning at 6:00pm.

MEETING April 29th
Golf Tournament-May 1st!

Legion of Mary-Meetings are held every Thursday evening beginning at 5:30pm in the Rectory Basement.

SVDP-Regular monthly meetings are held the first Monday of each month in the Parish Hall beginning at 7:00pm. Join us!

Pro-Life-Meeting in Parish Hall after the 10am Mass on the third Sunday of the month. New members always welcomed!

Quilters-Meet every Wednesday morning at 8:30am until 3:00pm in the rectory basement. We will teach you to quilt if you would like to learn!

Adoration and Playtime Group meets monthly the third Tuesday of each month at 10:00 in church. Adoration and Playtime Group will meet APRIL 20th!

Catholic Employment Network CEN

"Bear one another's burdens, and so you will fulfill the law of Christ." Galatians 6:2

The CEN mission is to serve our community who may need help during their job search transition by providing spiritual and practical job search support services including: resume writing, networking, social media, and spiritual support.

If you are interested in joining CEN, please contact parishioner Meg Dunn 314-517-4844 megworks@live.com



PLEASE JOIN US

Tuesday April 13th

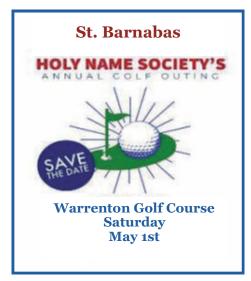
The first rosary will be prayed at 7:30am and rosaries will continue to be prayed on the half hour each hour until the 7:00pm Holy Mass.

We are praying to combat the evil in our world and asking for God's protection and guidance in the

uncertain and trying times we are facing. The Rosary is one of the Catholic prayers associated with the Catholic battle against evil forces. Saint Pio of Pietrelcina and many other saints and popes have called the rosary "a glorious weapon against satan."

O, God, Whose Only Begotten Son, by His life, Death, and Resurrection, has purchased for us the rewards of eternal salvation. Grant, we beseech Thee, that by meditating upon these mysteries of the most holy Rosary of the Blessed Virgin Mary, we may imitate what they contain and obtain what they promise, through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.

THERE WILL BE
NO ORGANIZED
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CELEBRATION OF
DIVINE MERCY
SUNDAY

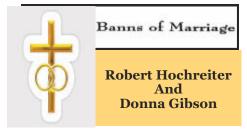


Donut Sunday Hosted by SVDP

The **St. Vincent De Paul Society at St. Barnabas** will be hosting a Donut Sunday after the 8:00am and 10:00am Holy Masses on Sunday, April 18th in the parish hall.

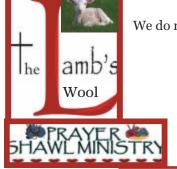
We are doing this to thank you, our generous benefactors, but also to answer any questions that you may have for us.

We hope to see you there!



If you would like a shawl for someone needing the special hug of a prayer shawl, please call Donna.

We do not sell the shawls, but a donation to help cover the cost of the yarn is appreciated! Thank you!



If you would like to join us in making beautiful prayer shawls with love, please call Donna Hagan @ 636-358-0817.

HELL IS REAL HELL IS FOR ALL ETERNITY

It may surprise you to learn that no one in the Bible spoke more about the reality of hell than Jesus, Himself! He declared, "Do not be afraid of those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul. Rather be afraid of the one who can destroy both soul and body in hell." Matthew 10:28

Those are sobering words, and we all need to take them very seriously. Hell is real and if one chooses to live so as to warrant everlasting condemnation in hell, there is no escape. Hell is forever—for all eternity. After one dies there are no do overs. Despite God's mercy and love, many souls are spending eternity in unspeakable suffering because of the choices they made here on earth. God is truly right and just and all good. If there were no hell, then we would truly live in an unjust world in which tyrants and abusers, liars and cheaters, murderers and thieves, and all the evildoers would never pay for their evil ways. The Bible calls hell a place of "outer darkness: there shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth." Matthew 25:30

It is important to realize the Jesus spoke about hell's reality not out of hate or anger; but out of love and warning. Yes, hell is real, it does exist. God gave us the free will to choose. God does not want us to make the choices that will bear the consequences of spending eternity in the fires of hell. God has provided the Way to be with Him forever in heaven-that Way is Jesus Christ, His only Son. Jesus suffered and died as a perfect sacrifice to the Father for the sins of the whole world. Jesus opened the Gates of Heaven so man could return to his loving Creator. It is each person's personal choice to follow Jesus or to follow the evil one.

Do not ignore hell's reality and do not turn your back on God's love for you! Beginning today, repent of your sins and strive to live a holy life. There is absolutely nothing on earth worthy of losing your soul.

St. Maria Faustina Kowalska was given a vision of hell and she was led there by angel to warn others of what she saw. Remember every sin is an act of rebellion against our Holy God.

The First Torture in hell is the profound loss of God.

The Second Torture in hell is perpetual remorse of conscience.

The Third Torture is knowing that one's condition will NEVER CHANGE.

The Fourth Torture is the fire that will penetrate the soul without ever destroying it.

The Fifth Torture is continual darkness and a terrible suffocating smell.

The Sixth Torture is the constant company of the prince of darkness satan.

The Seventh Torture is the horrible despair, vile hatred of God, wicked words, curses, and blasphemies, and indescribable torments of the senses. Each soul undergoes terrible sufferings related to the manner in which it has sinned. The tortures of hell are self-imposed. There are caverns and pits of torture where one form of agony differs from another.

The sinner will be tortured throughout all eternity.

The Catholic Church teaches in Lesson 37 of the Baltimore Catechism:

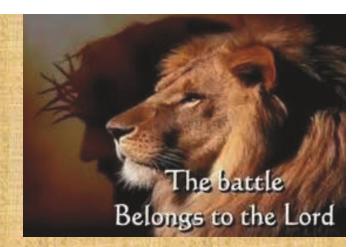
"Q. 1379. What is Hell? A. Hell is a state to which the wicked are condemned, and in which they are deprived of the sight of God for all eternity, and are in dreadful torments.

Q. 1380. Will the damned suffer in both mind and body?

A. The damned will suffer in both mind and body, because both mind and body had a share in their sins. The mind suffers the "pain of loss" in which it is tortured by the thought of having lost God forever, and the body suffers the "pain of sense" by which it is tortured in all its members and senses."

"And I saw the dead, great and small, standing before the throne, and books were opened. Another book was opened, which is the book of life.
The dead were judged according to what they had done as recorded in the books."
Revelation 20:12

Jesus, I trust in You Jesus, I trust in You Jesus, I trust in You



My Dear Parish Family,

I have some sad news to share with you today and I want you to remember that we must trust in the Lord and accept His Holy Will even if we do not understand it. Bishop Rivituso is speaking with us today at all Masses.

After April 30th, I will no longer be your Pastor and there are no plans to bring another priest to St. Barnabas to replace me. As far as I have been told, there are no immediate plans to close St. Barnabas and the office will still be in operation until further notice. However, St. Barnabas Church will be operated differently.

Beginning May 1st. The <u>only</u> Mass that will be celebrated at St. Barnabas will be the Traditional Latin Mass on Sunday mornings. There will be no daily Masses and no confession available at this time. I will continue to celebrate daily Holy Mass and hear Confessions before every Mass through April. Please continue to attend the Latin Holy Mass. At this point, I do not have any information as to exactly how the parish will operate. As I am given more information, I will relay it to you.

I am so sorry to all of you that have been members for so many years and share a life-time of memories here. Many of you were married here, buried your spouses from our Church, your children were baptized here and they received their First Holy Communions or went to school at St. Barnabas. These are difficult and emotional times. Many tears will be shed I am sure.

I want to personally thank all our parish organizations that have worked so hard in the O'Fallon community to bring Jesus to so many people. Thank you for your generous support and dedication and your time and talent throughout these years. There are no words to convey the sadness in my heart. Despite the odds against us, this little parish of ours may still make its 60th Anniversary!

To those families who have joined us in the last few years. I want to thank you, also. So many of you have told me you felt you had found a home here with us. This parish was brought back to life over these last 6 months and I am sorry that it may not be able to continue to bloom. I pray that difference you have seen and felt here will be spread throughout the parishes where you may become members.

My good and faithful flock, please do not be bitter or angry. Remember the good times and these good people that are your parish family. You have touched me and through knowing all of you I have become a better priest. We cannot go backwards in life. Sometimes we wish we could have a redo of sorts and sometimes that is impossible to do. Nothing can change what has been put into motion and I am asking that you accept it with kindness and good will. Sometimes we are given crosses that seem impossible to bear at the time and we cannot understand God's plan. We must just pick them up and Follow Him.

This little parish is truly a piece of Heaven on earth. If I may leave you with one final thought today, "Do everything you do in life for the Glory of God!" In the end that is all that really matters. May Our Dear Lord bless you and keep you close to Him, His Blessed Mother, and St. Joseph throughout your lives.

With all my love, In Jesus, Mary, and Joseph,

Father Hager

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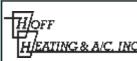
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